

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

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Atty No.: A-6274

Application No: Rule 60 Continuation
of 07/837120

Group Art Unit: 1808

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Examiner: H. Lilling

For: PROCESS FOR IN VIVO PRODUCTION OF ASTAXANTHIN AND PHAFFIA
RHODOZYMA YEAST OF ENHANCED ASTAXANTHIN CONTENTPRELIMINARY AMENDMENTHon. Commissioner of Patents
and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to prosecution on the merits, kindly amend the
application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Kindly cancel claims 1-27 and add the following new claim 28.

-- 28. Phaffia rhodozyma yeast strain ant-1-4. --

REMARKS

The ant-1-4 mutant is disclosed in the working Examples and
was made as claimed.

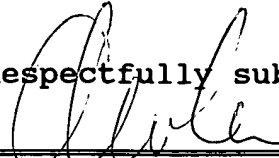
Applicants claim a patentable invention and respectfully

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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request early notification of allowance.

Respectfully submitted,



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